



520.37464X00

July 19, 2004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

TO 37 CFR §1.116 REQUESTED Attn: Mail Stop AF

RECEIVED
JUL 2 1 2004
GROUP 3600

Applicants:

Shunsuke AKIFUJI et al.

Serial No.:

09/377,402

Filed:

August 20, 1999

For:

WORKFLOW SYSTEM, WORKFLOW CONTROL METHOD

AND STORAGE MEDIUM

Group:

3623

Examiner:

Susanna M. Diaz

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

Mail Stop AF

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action (Paper No. 20) dated on April 20, 2004,

please consider and enter the following remarks and submission in the above-identified application as follows.

Listing of the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including a certified English translation of the Japanese priority document is attached following page 12 of this paper.